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August 15, 2011

Mayor Denny Doyle City of Beaverton State of Oregon U.S.A.

Dear Mayor Doyle,

We would like to express our sincere appreciation to the warm hospitality you have extended to us during our stay in Beaverton for the Sister City exchange event.

The memories and experiences that all four of us have gained are truly invaluable and we have returned home safely with them. We had felt a little distant with Beaverton before this trip, nevertheless, the visit have made us believe that our relationship as the sister city are very strong. The trip has also reminded us of the great aspects of Beaverton as a whole. The exchanges with other sister cities of Beaverton, by actively communicating with such dignified representatives from all corners of the world, gave us a new vision for Gotemba's future of international exchange. The exchange has left us with fond memories of people of Beaverton as well as lasting impression of wonderful times we had there. Such great visit was made possible because of the people of Beaverton had spend so much time and effort in preparing for the event. We cannot thank enough for such enthusiasm in receiving us.

It is now time for us to reciprocate your hospitality by inviting you to Gotemba, a city nestled at the foot of beautiful Mt. Fuji. We are very much looking forward to welcoming the residents of Beaverton in 2012, the year to commemorate the 25th anniversary of our sister city relationship.

We would like to thank you again for the wonderful experiences gained throughout our stay in Beaverton.

Sincerely,

Gotemba Sister City Delegation

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